

Madam Speaker, I thank our two colleagues that sponsored this important bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. TRONE).

Mr. TRONE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to show my support for the millions of families struggling to help their loved ones suffering through addiction.

My family fought to get help for my nephew, Ian, that he needed before he lost his life to an overdose in 2016. It was hard for us to do, even with the resources we had at our disposal.

For most families, it is nearly impossible to navigate our behavioral health system in its current form. It is a confusing system that leaves families like mine with no clue what treatment option is right for their loved one.

Now more than ever, families are on the front lines of this fight. Overdoses are on the rise across America, and COVID-19 is making matters much worse. Every single county in my district saw an increase in overdose deaths last quarter—some as much as 50 percent. And last year, more Americans died of drug overdoses than ever before—more than 70,000.

Madam Speaker, that is why I introduced the Family Support Services for Addiction Act with Congressman DAN MEUSER. This bipartisan bill provides for nonprofits working with families struggling with addiction. The bill will provide grants to reach more families, create more tailored treatments, and save more lives.

Madam Speaker, I thank Congressman MEUSER, Chairman PALLONE, Chairwoman ESHOO, and Ranking Member WALDEN for this much-needed bill. We have got to get this done. Lives are depending on it.

Madam Speaker, I urge a “yes” vote on this legislation.

Mr. WALDEN. Madam Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. MEUSER), one of the coauthors of this very, very important and meaningful legislation, who serves Pennsylvania's Ninth Congressional District in the U.S. House.

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, it is really my honor to be here today in support with Congressman TRONE, and I thank him for his partnership and his leadership on this very important issue.

Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer support for our bill, H.R. 5572, the Family Support Services for Addiction Act, which provides a family and community-based approach to addiction treatment that works to address the deep-seated effects of the addiction crisis on so many families.

The opioid epidemic is ravaging my district and many States across America, and all of Pennsylvania is by no means an exception. In 2017, Pennsylvania experienced 5,456 drug-related

overdose deaths. It has impacted virtually every family throughout the Commonwealth.

Far too many families struggling with substance use disorder feel like they have nowhere to turn for the resources and very important information.

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This bill would establish a grant program for family community organizations that provide support for families of individuals struggling with substance use disorder. These services can include information and referral sources, support groups, system navigation to assist the family in finding resources, parent training and education, specialized crisis support, and, really, much, much more, again, where they currently don't know where to turn.

As a member of the Freshman Working Group on Addiction, I am very proud to be the Republican lead on a bill that takes critical steps to help families feel empowered and equipped to support their loved ones struggling with substance use disorder.

I again want to very, very sincerely congratulate and thank Congressman DAVID TRONE for his hard work, his dedication, and his great care in helping those suffering from drug addiction.

I encourage my colleagues to support this bill, and I urge its swift passage.

Mr. WALDEN. Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this legislation, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I also urge support for the bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 5572, the “Family Support Services for Addiction Act of 2020.” I'm proud to have advanced this bipartisan bill through my Health Subcommittee and I'm pleased to support it on the Floor today.

H.R. 5572, the “Family Support Services for Addiction Act of 2020” was introduced by Reps. DAVID TRONE (D-MD) and DANIEL MEUSER (R-PA) and provides grants to community organizations that provide support services for families and family members living with substance use disorders or addiction. When family members are empowered and supported to help their loved one struggling with substance use disorder, patients and families achieve better outcomes.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimated that more than 70,000 people died in the U.S. from an opioid overdose in 2019. These numbers are projected to be higher in 2020, in part because of the COVID pandemic. We have to do everything we can to address the substance use disorder crisis by helping patients and their families. I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5572, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the yeas have it.

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3 of House Resolution 965, the yeas and nays are ordered.

Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Byrd, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 1812. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish Vet Center readjustment counseling and related mental health services to certain individuals.

H.R. 2372. An act to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct an assessment of all memoranda of understanding and memoranda of agreement between Under Secretary of Health and non-Department of Veterans Affairs entities relating to suicide prevention and mental health services.

H.R. 4779. An act to extend the Undertaking Spam, Spyware, And Fraud Enforcement With Enforcers beyond Borders Act of 2006, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6168. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2020, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2693. An act to improve oversight by the Federal Communications Commission of the wireless and broadcast emergency alert systems.

SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2020

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2075) to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize school-based health centers, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 2075

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “School-Based Health Centers Reauthorization Act of 2020”.

SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS.

(a) ELIMINATION OF LIMITATION ON ELIGIBILITY OF HEALTH CENTERS.—

(1) REPEAL.—Section 399Z-1(f)(3) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280h-5(f)(3)) is amended by striking subparagraph (B).

(2) CONFORMING CHANGE.—Section 399Z-1(f)(3) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280h-5(f)(3)) is amended by striking